

## **WJLA/NC8 - FCC REPORT**

### **JULY- SEPT 2019**

#### **CRIME & VIOLENCE**

7/3 - NC8 - 10PM (:22)

A SAD UPDATE NOW. POLICE IN VIRGINIA SAY THEY HAVE FOUND THE BODY OF A MISSING TWO-YEAR-OLD BOY. THE REMAINS OF NOAH TOMLIN WERE FOUND AT A CITY STEAM PLANT IN HAMPTON. THAT'S WHERE POLICE WENT THROUGH \*TWO MILLION POUNDS OF GARBAGE... LOOKING FOR THE BOY. ONLY USE VID OF MOM IN COURT NOAH'S MOTHER-- JULIA TOMLIN HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHILD'S DISAPPEARANCE. SHE REPORTED HIM MISSING BACK ON JUNE 24TH.

7/29 - NC8- 10PM (:48)

THAT WAS CATE CAUGUIRAN <CO-GUH-RIAN> REPORTING. IT WAS A WEEKEND OF VIOLENCE IN THE DISTRICT. AT LEAST 12 PEOPLE WERE SHOT IN A 12 HOUR SPAN SATURDAY NIGHT. NOW-- D-C MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER IS BRINGING BACK A PROGRAM SHE HOPES WILL HELP DETER CRIME-- \*AND MAKE MORE ARRESTS. IT'S AN INCENTIVE PROGRAM-- TO GET MORE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS TO INSTALL AND REGISTER EXTERIOR SECURITY CAMERAS. THE CITY IS OFFERING VOUCHERS AND REBATES UP TO 5-HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR HOMES-- AND 7-HUNDRED-50 DOLLARS FOR BUSINESSES. CITY OFFICIALS SAY THAT EVEN AFTER RECEIVING A REBATE-- IT'S THE CAMERA OWNER'S CHOICE WHETHER OR NOT TO RELEASE VIDEO. IF YOU'D LIKE MORE INFORMATION--- WE'VE POSTED A LINK ON HOW TO REGISTER, JUST GO TO WJLA DOT COM

7/31 - NC8- 7AM (:25)

A CRIME ALERT IN THE DISTRICT-- -- WHERE A FENDER BENDER ENDED IN GUN FIRE. IT HAPPENED IN THE 3RD STREET TUNNEL. POLICE SAY A CAR WAS HIT, BUT THEN THOSE PEOPLE GOT OUT AND STARTED FIRING SHOTS AT THE DRIVER WHO HIT THEM. HE WAS

HIT AND RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL. TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT YOUR SCREEN, THESE ARE NEW PICTURES OF A CAR POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR. THEY BELIEVE THE COUPLE INSIDE THIS CAR WAS RESPONSIBLE. IF YOU CAN HELP, CALL POLICE.

8/6 - WJLA - 5AM (:20)

A CRIME ALERT TO TELL YOU ABOUT IN THE DISTRICT. LOOK AT THIS VIDEO-- SHOWING A THIEF-- TRYING TO STEAL A BICYCLE FROM A HOUSE ON PARK ROAD NORTHWEST. THE PERSON WHO \*LIVES THERE\* SEES HIM. THE THIEF -TOSSES THE BIKE AT THE PERSON - AND RUNS FOR IT. POLICE HOPE SOMEONE RECOGNIZES THAT THIEF - SO THEY CAN ARREST HIM.

8/8 - WJLA - 5AM (:45)

COVERING DC NOW... WHERE MEN ARE USING CLIPPERS AND SCISSORS-- IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE HERE. ACTIVISTS ARE LAUNCHING WHAT \*THEY CALL THE "BARBERSHOP INITIATIVE." THEY WANT TO STOP THE SHOOTINGS THAT HAVE CLAIMED SO MANY LIVES IN THE DISTRICT. THEY ALSO WANT TO GET PEOPLE TALKING ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH. THE IDEA IS THAT YOUNG MEN WHO WON'T LISTEN TO ANYONE ELSE -- \*WILL LISTEN TO THEIR BARBERS. ORGANIZERS SAY THEY'LL VISIT EVERY BARBER SHOP IN THE CITY-- SEEKING SUPPORT FOR THEIR INITIATIVE.

8/23 - WJLA - 5AM (:40)

WE'VE JUST LEARNED METRO POLICE ARRESTED 42-YEAR-OLD LANCE AMOS FOR THE STABBING. HE HAS NO LISTED ADDRESS. HE'S NOW CHARGED WITH FIRST DEGREE MURDER. LETS SHOW YOU WHERE IT HAPPENED. THE BRIDGE IS BACK OPEN TONIGHT BUT WAS SHUT DOWN WHILE POLICE AND PARAMEDICS RESPONDED. POLICE SAY FOR SOME REASON ... AMOS ATTACKED 62-YEAR-OLD ROBERT BOLICH OF ALEXANDRIA ... WHILE HE WAS INSPECTING THE BRIDGE FROM THE PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY. BOLICH DIED AT THE HOSPITAL. NOW POLICE ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT A MOTIVE. WE'VE REACHED OUT TO THE CONTRACTOR WE BELIEVE BOLICH

WORKED FOR AND WE'RE WAITING TO HEAR BACK. POLICE ARE STILL INVESTIGATING WHAT LED UP TO THE STABBING.

9/9 - NC8 – 1PM (:45)

IN 2004, CONGRESS PASSED THE 'DEBBIE SMITH ACT.' IT PROVIDED MUCH-NEEDED MONEY TO REDUCE THE BACKLOG OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF UNPROCESSED RAPE KITS. DEBBIE SMITH IS THE ACT'S NAMESAKE - AFTER A SIX AND HALF YEAR WAIT FOR DNA EVIDENCE FROM HER RAPE KIT TO GET MATCHED TO HER ATTACKER. BECAUSE OF THE DEBBIE SMITH ACT, 860-THOUSAND RAPE KITS HAVE BEEN PROCESSED NATIONWIDE. BUT SMITH SAYS IT'S EFFECTIVENESS HAS BROUGHT MORE VICTIMS FORWARD - KNOWING DNA CAN HELP SOLVE THEIR CRIME. SHE SAYS ABOUT 200-THOUSAND KITS REMAIN UNTESTED. AND IF THE HOUSE DOESN'T REAUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATION BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER, IT COULD ALL COME TO A SCREECHING HALT. MORE THAN 32-THOUSAND PEOPLE HAVE SIGNED PETITIONS URGING HOUSE SPEAKER PELOSI TO SCHEDULE A VOTE AND REAUTHORIZE THE BILL. THE SENATE PASSED IT EARLIER THIS YEAR. IN ADDITION TO IDENTIFYING SUSPECTS AND CREATING STRONGER CASES FOR PROSECUTORS, SMITH SAYS THE KITS ALSO HELP EXONERATE THOSE WHO ARE WRONGLY ACCUSED.

9/20 - NC8 – 7AM (:25)

ANOTHER CRIME ALERT, THIS ONE IN LORTON -- WHERE POLICE ARE TRYING TO IDENTIFY THREE BURGLARY SUSPECTS. POLICE SAY THESE MEN KNOCKED ON AN ELDERLY COUPLE'S DOOR -- SAYING THEY NEEDED ACCESS TO THEIR BACK YARD FOR A LANDSCAPING PROJECT NEXT DOOR. WHILE TWO OF THEM DISTRACTED THE COUPLE -- THE THIRD STOLE VALUABLES FROM THEIR HOME. THEY WERE SEEN DRIVING AWAY IN A WHITE PICKUP PULLING A TRAILER. IF YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS -- PLEASE CALL FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE.

9/25 - NC8 – 10PM (:40)

LAWMAKERS PUSHED TO PASS THE "KHALID JABARA- HEATHER HEYER NO HATE ACT." THE BILL AIMS TO IMPROVE THE ACCURACY OF HATE CRIME REPORTING. POLICE WILL BE TRAINED TO IDENTIFY HATE CRIMES AND STATES GET MONEY TO SET UP HATE CRIME HOTLINES. IT'S NAMED AFTER KHALID JABARA -- WHO WAS GUNNED DOWN IN A HATE CRIME IN OKLAHOMA. AND HEATHER HEYER -- WHO WAS KILLED AT A COUNTERPROTEST OF A WHITE NATIONALIST RALLY IN CHARLOTTESVILLE... SUPPORTERS SAY, LONGTERM IT WILL SHED LIGHT ON HOW TO STOP HATE CRIMES.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

7/2 - WJLA – 6AM (:25)

HAPPENING TODAY. D-C COUNCILMAN JACK EVANS PLANS TO MAKE A LAST-DITCH EFFORT TO SAVE HIS CHAIRMANSHIP. HE'S ACCUSED OF USING HIS POSITION TO WIN CLIENTS FOR HIS PRIVATE BUSINESS. LAST WEEK HE RESIGNED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE METRO BOARD, AND FROM THE BOARD ITSELF. IT HAPPENED AFTER THE F-B-I RAIDED HIS HOME. THE COUNCIL CHAIR SAYS HE PLANS TO REMOVE EVANS AS FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN. BUT AT A MEETING THIS MORNING, EVANS WILL ARGUE HIS CASE. THE FULL COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED TO VOTE ON IT ALL -- NEXT TUESDAY.

7/9 - WJLA – 12PM (:40)

CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST A MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE OFFICER WAS SEEN DRIVING HIS KNEE INTO A SUSPECT'S HEAD-- WHICH THEN HIT THE GROUND. THAT VIDEO WENT VIRAL. TONIGHT-- THERE WERE PROTESTS BEFORE AND DURING MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS TO ADDRESS THE POSSIBILITY OF \*MORE\* POLICE OVERSIGHT. THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICE CHIEF SAID HE'S OPEN TO MORE OVERSIGHT-- AND CHANGE. THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL IS BRINGING FORWARD LEGISLATION TO CREATE AN ADVISORY COUNCIL TO HANDLE BROADER POLICING ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY.

7/10 - WJLA – 6PM (:45)

BY A VOTE OF SEVEN-TO-FIVE -- THE D-C COUNCIL APPROVED A 215-MILLION DOLLAR NO-BID CONTRACT FOR SPORTS BETTING. THE GREEK GAMING COMPANY "INTRALOT" WILL BE THE ONLY PROVIDER OF THE DISTRICT'S SPORTS BETTING APP AND WEBSITE. ADULTS \*WILL BE ALLOWED TO BET NOT ONLY ON THE OUTCOME OF A PARTICULAR GAME -- BUT HOW ATHLETES WILL PERFORM. PEOPLE \*WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BET ON COLLEGE TEAMS BASED IN THE DISTRICT. FOR THOSE WHO DO WANT TO GO TO A BAR -- THE DISTRICT WILL SOON POST RULES FOR HOW BUSINESSES CAN APPLY FOR A LICENSE TO RUN SPORTS BETTING. FANS WILL ALSO

BE ABLE TO BET AT AUDI FIELD, NATS PARK AND AND CAPITAL ONE ARENA. THE SYSTEM IS EXPECTED TO BE UP AND RUNNING IN SEPTEMBER -- JUST IN TIME FOR THE N-F-L SEASON.

8/9 - NC8 -- 8AM (:20)

D-C COUNCILMEMBER JACK EVANS -- WILL PAY A 20-THOUSAND DOLLAR FINE IN CONNECTION TO AN ETHICS INVESTIGATION. IT'S FOR EVANS' USE OF D-C GOVERNMENT RESOURCES TO SOLICIT OUTSIDE WORK FROM LAW FIRMS. ETHICAL ISSUES COST EVANS' THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE METRO BOARD -- AND OF THE COUNCIL'S FINANCE COMMITTEE. EVANS ALSO HAS TO COMPLETE AN ETHICS TRAINING COURSE.

8/13 - NC8 -- 9AM (:26)

A HIGH-LEVEL STAFFER TO D.C. COUNCIL MEMBER BRIANNE NADEAU IS CHARGED IN A SHOOTING OVER THE WEEKEND. DAVON FULLER IS NOW ON ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE. POLICE SAY THE INCIDENT STARTED OUTSIDE A MARIJUANA POP-UP PARTY AT A NORTHEAST WAREHOUSE. THEY SAY IT APPEARS TWO MEN WERE TRYING TO ROB FULLER AND ANOTHER MAN. AND THEY SAY FULLER AND THAT OTHER PERSON PULLED OUT GUNS AND STARTED SHOOTING. NO ONE WAS HURT. NADEAU'S OFFICE SAYS IT'S "SHOCKED AND SADDENED" BY THE INCIDENT.

8/27 - NC8 -- 8A (:30)

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH -- AND FEMA AND THE AD COUNCIL ARE RAISING AWARENESS TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE PREPARING CHILDREN AND TEENS FOR POSSIBLE EMERGENCIES AND DISASTERS. IT'S ALL PART OF THE "PREPARED, NOT SCARED" CAMPAIGN. HERE WITH A BREAKDOWN OF WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW IS KIM KADESCH WITH FEMA.

9/12 - WJLA -- 3PM (:25)

A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE IN CHARLOTTESVILLE -- RULING TWO CONFEDERATE STATUES MUST STAY WHERE THEY ARE. THE CITY

COUNCIL VOTED IN 20-17 TO REMOVE THE STATUES OF ROBERT E-LEE AND STONEWALL JACKSON. THAT PROMPTED A LAWSUIT -- AND BECAME A RALLYING CRY FOR ORGANIZERS OF THE DEADLY WHITE NATIONALIST RALLY THAT AUGUST. THE JUDGE SAID THE MONUMENTS ARE WAR MEMORIALS -- AND THEREFORE PROTECTED UNDER VIRGINIA LAW.

9/17 - WJLA -- 5PM (:40)

THE D-C COUNCIL -- MOVING TO STOP TEENS FROM VAPING. COUNCIL MEMBER MARY CHEH -- INTRODUCING A BILL BANNING THE SALE OF FLAVORED VAPES AND E-CIGARETTES. COUNCILMEMBER VINCENT GRAY HAS INTRODUCED HIS OWN LEGISLATION. A CALIFORNIA MAN IN HIS 40S -- NOW THE SEVENTH PERSON TO DIE FROM A SEVERE LUNG ILLNESS TIED TO VAPING. THE C-D-C HAS ACTIVATED ITS "EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER" - - AND HEALTH OFFICIALS IN NEW YORK HAVE JUST APPROVED AN EMERGENCY BAN ON SALES OF FLAVORED E-CIGARETTES. CALIFORNIA PLANS A 20-MILLION DOLLAR AD CAMPAIGN WARNING OF THE DANGERS OF VAPING. THE C-D-C IS INVESTIGATING NEARLY 400-CASES OF SEVERE LUNG PROBLEMS LIKELY TIED TO VAPING OR E-CIGARETTES.

9/25 - WJLA -- 5AM (:50)

NEW THIS MORNING... COLLEGE PARK OFFICIALS ARE TURNING DOWN THE VOLUME ON NOISE.. FROM SOCIAL GATHERINGS. AFTER A MORE THAN THREE HOUR DEBATE LAST NIGHT, THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED CHANGES TO COLLEGE PARK'S NOISE ORDINANCE. MANY RESIDENTS SAY STUDENTS' PARTIES ARE TOO LOUD... ESPECIALLY ON WEEKENDS. BUT MOST STUDENTS ARE NOT HAPPY ABOUT THE NEW RULES. MANY NEIGHBORS SAY THERE NEEDS TO BE MORE ENFORCEMENT... AND THEY'RE HAPPY ABOUT THE COUNCIL'S DECISION. THE NEWLY APPROVED ORDINANCE ALLOWS FINES FOR UNRULY SOCIAL GATHERINGS. THEY'RE DEFINED AS THOSE WITH EIGHT OR MORE PEOPLE. FOR VIOLATORS, OCCUPANCY PERMITS COULD BE REVOKED AT THE END OF A LEASING PERIOD. LANDLORDS COULD BE FINED 500 DOLLARS FOR NOISE VIOLATIONS.

## SUBSTANCE ABUSE

7/1 - NC8- 10PM (:16)

IN MARYLAND... THERE'S A NEW LAW TO HOPEFULLY LOWER PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS. THE "PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD" IS NOW IN EFFECT. IT WILL CREATE THE NATION'S FIRST STATE OVERSIGHT BOARD. THAT BOARD WILL SET \*MAXIMUM COSTS FOR CERTAIN DRUGS BOUGHT BY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

7/1 - NC8 - 10PM (:18)

A NEW STATE LAW IN VIRGINIA... IS REGULATING \*WHO CAN BUY TOBACCO AND OTHER NICOTINE PRODUCTS. NOW - YOU'LL HAVE TO BE AT LEAST 21 TO BUY CIGARETTES AND VAPES. IT'S PART OF AN EFFORT TO STOP TEENS FROM SMOKING AND VAPING. THE EXCEPTION - IF YOU'RE IN THE MILITARY AND HAVE A VALID MILITARY I-D - YOU CAN BUY TOBACCO AT 18.

7/31 - NC8 - 10PM (:25)

A SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE HEALTH ALERT. THE NATION'S LARGEST E-CIGARETTE COMPANY... UNDER FIRE-- ACCUSED OF MAKING HEALTH CLAIMS - WITHOUT F-D-A APPROVAL... AND TARGETING YOUNG PEOPLE. CONNECTICUT'S ATTORNEY GENERAL-- TAKING ON 'JUUL'... CLAIMING MARKETING EFFORTS - TARGETED CHILDREN AND TEENS. HE SAYS -- THE COMPANY AIMS \*NOT TO HELP SMOKERS STOP-- BUT INSTEAD TO LURE IN A YOUNGER CROWD-- AND CREATE A NEW FORM OF ADDICTION. JUUL MAINTAINS THEIR PRODUCTS ARE NOT INTENDED FOR TEENS.

8/5 - WJLA - 6AM (:23)

COURT RECORDS SHOW THE MAN ACCUSED OF KILLING A WOMAN AT A FALLS CHURCH CROSSWALK -- HAD A SUSPENDED LICENSE. POLICE SAY DAVID ALAN FRANCIS HIT A WOMAN AND CHILD SATURDAY AFTERNOON. 60-YEAR-OLD BETTY ANN BERNSTEIN-ZABZA DIED -- THE CHILD WILL BE OKAY. POLICE SAY FRANCIS



TRIED TO RUN AWAY -- BUT WAS ARRESTED. THEY THINK HE WAS SPEEDING AND HIGH ON DRUGS. FRANCIS IS FACING FELONY HIT AND RUN CHARGES.

8/14 - WJLA - 11AM (:20)

YOU CAN BET YOU WON'T BE ALLOWING... THIS GUY TO PET-SIT. THE REASON? HE'S ACCUSED OF FORCE FEEDING HIS CAT METH! POLICE SAY HE STRANGLERED THE CAT AND FORCIBLY MADE IT INGEST THE DRUGS. A VETERINARIAN SAYS THE CAT SHOWED SIGNS OF NEUROLOGICAL PROBLEMS BUT WAS LATER ADOPTED INTO A CARING HOME. THE SUSPECT - WAS ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH FELONY ANIMAL CRUELTY.

8/27 - WJLA - 4AM (:45)

TO A SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE HEALTH ALERT NOW... AS VIRGINIA HEALTH OFFICIALS POINT TO VAPING FOR THREE RECENT CASES OF SEVERE LUNG ILLNESS. TWO OF THOSE CASES WERE IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA... ANOTHER WAS IN THE SOUTHWEST. VAPING IS A GROWING CONCERN IN SCHOOLS HERE-- AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY. A SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR WITH ARLINGTON COUNTY SAYS VAPE PEN USAGE AMONG LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS IS SKYROCKETING. WE'RE TOLD KIDS ARE SOMETIMES GETTING THE VAPE PENS ON THE BLACK MARKET. ACCORDING TO THE C-D-C VAPE USE AMONG TEENS HAS JUMPED FROM ONE PERCENT TO 21 PERCENT IN THE LAST SEVEN YEARS.

9/14 - NC8 - 12PM(:45)

ABC 7 WITH A HEALTH ALERT. A WARNING FROM THE F-D-A THAT A CHEMICAL FOUND IN POPULAR HEARTBURN DRUG ... COULD CAUSE CANCER. THEY'RE FOCUSING ON AN IMPURITY CALLED "N-D-M-A" AND OFFICIALS SAY-- IT HAS BEEN FOUND IN ZANTAC AND SIMILAR GENERIC HEARTBURN DRUGS. THE F-D-A SAYS LOW LEVELS OF THIS CHEMICAL COULD CAUSE CANCER. FOR NOW-- PATIENTS ARE NOT BEING ADVISED TO STOP TAKING ZANTAC. \*BUT THEY ARE BEING URGED TO TALK TO THEIR DOCTORS-- ABOUT POSSIBLY FINDING ANOTHER APPROVED MEDICINE. THE F-D-A IS

WORKING TO FIND OUT HOW THE MEDICATION WAS  
CONTAMINATED... AND HOW MANY PRODUCTS MAY BE IMPACTED.  
YOU CAN FIND OUT HOW THE OUT-SOURCING OF DRUG  
INGREDIENTS TO OTHER COUNTRIES--PLAYS A ROLE IN THIS CASE ...  
AT WJLA DOT COM AND THE ACB7 NEWS APP.

9/25 - NC8 - 10PM (:24)

NEW TONIGHT ... AN EMPLOYEE FOR THE DISTRICT'S CONSUMER  
WATCHDOG AGENCY ... IS CHARGED WITH SELLING HEROIN AND  
\*FENTANYL -- JUST OUTSIDE HIS GOVERNMENT OFFICE. FEDERAL  
AGENTS ARRESTED "DARRELL POPE" YESTERDAY OUTSIDE THE  
"DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS"  
HEADQUARTERS IN SOUTHWEST. AGENTS SAY THEY ACTUALLY  
BOUGHT DRUGS OFF POPE IN CONTROLLED BUYS OUTSIDE THE  
OFFICE. BOTH HE AND HIS WIFE WORK FOR THE D-C-R-A ... THE  
MAYOR'S OFFICE TELLS US BOTH ARE NOW ON LEAVE.

9/28 - NC8 10PM (:24)

NEW INFORMATION TONIGHT... ABOUT A DEADLY CRASH. POLICE  
ARE NOW SAYING-- ALCOHOL MAY BE TO BLAME. THIS HAPPENED  
LAST NIGHT IN FORT MEADE. A 23-YEAR-OLD MAN RIDING A  
MOTORCYCLE-- WAS HIT BY A U-HAUL TRUCK. HE GOT PINNED  
UNDERNEATH -- AND DIED BEFORE PARAMEDICS COULD ARRIVE.  
POLICE SAY-- THE DRIVER OF THE TRUCK-- PULLED OUT IN FRONT OF  
THE MOTORCYCLE. THAT DRIVER-- A 21-YEAR-OLD WOMAN... IS  
NOW CHARGED WITH D-U-I.. AND MANSLAUGHTER.

## HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

7/16 - WJLA – 11PM (:20)

A FEDERAL APPEALS COURT HAS REINSTATED A LAWSUIT CHALLENGING A VIRGINIA LAW THAT ALLOWS POLICE TO ARREST PEOPLE THEY DEEM ARE "HABITUAL DRUNKARDS." THE COURT SAYS THE LAW WAS TOO VAGUE. OPPONENTS ARGUE IT UNFAIRLY TARGETS HOMELESS ALCOHOLICS. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE SAYS THE STATE HAS A LEGITIMATE INTEREST IN DISCOURAGING ALCOHOL ABUSE.

7/19 - WJLA – 4PM (:40)

A DAY OF PROVIDING NEEDS FOR THE HOMELESS COMMUNITY HERE IN D.C. A MISSION<sup>®</sup> WA4 17456 THAT STARTED IN INDIA BROUGHT SIX HUNDRED VOLUNTEERS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY FOR A DAY OF GIVING BACK. TOGETHER, VOLUNTEERS PACKED HYGEINE KITS FOR PEOPLE LIVING ON THE STREETS...THINGS LIKE COMBS, TOOTHBRUSHES, SHAMPOO AND SOAP. IT'S ESTIMATED 15-THOUSAND CARE PACKAGES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN VIRGINIA, MARYLAND AND THE DISTRICT. THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION BASED IN INDIA - SAYS THIS IS THEIR BIGGEST OUTREACH YET.

7/31 - WJLA – 5PM (:40)

"HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT" SECRETARY, BEN CARSON IN BALTIMORE TODAY-- STANDING BY PRESIDENT TRUMP'S DEPICTION OF THE CITY... AS A QUOTE "DISGUSTING, RAT- AND RODENT-INFESTED MESS" CARSON... WORKED FOR DECADES - AS A TOP NEUROSURGEON IN BALTIMORE. TODAY-- OUR SISTER STATION THERE-- TOOK A TOUR OF A SUBSIDIZED HOUSING PROJECT - WITH SECRETARY CARSON. HE CALLS THIS PARTICULAR AREA-- THE "OPPORTUNITY ZONE" -- AND SAYS INVESTING IN THESE NEIGHBORHOODS.. COULD CHANGE BALTIMORE'S LANDSCAPE

8/14 - NC8 – 6AM (:50)

IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA...A COMMUNITY IS STEPPING UP TO SAVE A BELOVED BOOKSTORE. THE OWNER OF "ONE MORE PAGE BOOKS" SAYS A RECENT REAL ESTATE TAX HIKE IN ARLINGTON COUNTY IS TOO BIG FOR HER SMALL BUSINESS TO BEAR. AND, SHE CAN'T AFFORD TO STAY OPEN. THE COMMUNITY DECIDED TO THROW THEIR SUPPORT BEHIND A SILENT AUCTION AND FUNDRAISER... GIVING "ONE MORE PAGE"---- \*ONE MORE CHANCE... EILEEN SAYS THE TAX INCREASE WAS OVER 30 PERCENT. SHE SAYS SHE'S EVEN GOTTEN ENVELOPES FROM CUSTOMERS--- WITH A NOTE AND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS INSIDE.

8/20 - NC8 - 12PM (:25)

MORE EVIDENCE THAT COMPETITION IS INTENSIFYING FOR HOMES NEAR CRYSTAL CITY.. NOW THAT AMAZON'S MOVING IN. THE "REDFIN COMPETE SCORE" RANKS ALEXANDRIA AND ARLINGTON THE MOST COMPETITIVE IN THE NATION. THAT SCORE RANKS HOW TOUGH IT IS FOR BUYERS TO OBTAIN A HOME, AMID COMPETING OFFERS. HOMES SOLD IN JULY WENT OFF THE MARKET IN A MEDIAN 11 DAYS IN ARLINGTON... AND 14 DAYS IN ALEXANDRIA. THAT'S FAR LOWER THAN THE 27 DAY MEDIAN FOR THE D.C. METRO AREA AS A WHOLE, AND 38 DAYS NATIONALLY.

8/23 - NC8 - 7AM (:30)

NEW INFORMATION IS SURFACING, FOLLOWING SUNDAY'S ROWHOUSE FIRE ON KENNEDY STREET IN NORTHWEST D.C. A MAN AND A NINE-YEAR-OLD BOY WERE KILLED. POLICE NOW SAY THE SCENE WAS LITTERED WITH DOZENS OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOTTLES. THE ROWHOUSE WAS ILLEGALLY CONVERTED INTO APARTMENTS, AND IT ALSO HOUSED A PHARMACY. THE PROPERTY OWNER IS A PHARMACIST. HE'S ALREADY UNDER INVESTIGATION BECAUSE OF THE FIRE. THE D.C. GOVERNMENT IS NOW WORKING TO CRACK DOWN ON DANGEROUS RENTAL HOMES. IT'S POSTING FLYERS IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES... TO ENSURE RENTERS KNOW THEIR RIGHTS.

9/4 - WJLA - 6PM (:55)

SO, HERE'S AN IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY FROM ALL THIS. TENANT LAWS IN VIRGINIA, MARYLAND AND THE DISTRICT REQUIRE REPAIRS TO RENTAL HOMES BE MADE IN A "TIMELY" MANNER. IN MARYLAND – IF THE HOME IS UNINHABITABLE - THE LANDLORD MUST PROVIDE TENANTS WITH A PLACE TO LIVE WHILE THOSE REPAIRS ARE MADE. THAT CAN INCLUDE THE COST OF MEALS AS WELL - IF THE ACCOMODATIONS DON'T INCLUDE A KITCHEN. IN THE DISTRICT - IT'S A BIT MORE COMPLICATED. LANDLORDS THERE ARE \*NOT\* REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE HOUSING DURING REPAIRS. BUT - ON THE FLIPSIDE- IF YOU CAN'T LIVE THERE WHILE WORK IS BEING DONE - YOU'RE NOT OBLIGATED TO PAY RENT - UNTIL REPAIRS ARE FINISHED. BE WARNED THOUGH - THINGS CAN GET COMPLICATED WHEN THAT HAPPENS. IF YOU'RE FACING TROUBLE WITH YOUR RENTAL HOME - OR HAVE ANOTHER CONSUMER PROBLEM - GIVE SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE'S CALL FOR ACTION TEAM A CALL AT 301-652-HELP... OR GO TO WJLA DOT COM - SLASH - CALL FOR ACTION.

9/10 - WJLA – 3PM (:35)

SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE FOUND OUT THAT UNDER MARYLAND LAW ALL APARTMENT COMPLEXES ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE SCREENS IN THE WINDOWS OF EVERY UNIT. BUT ACCORDING TO MONTGOMERY COUNTY HOUSING OFFICIALS -- SCREENS ARE \*NOT\* INTENDED TO BE IN PLACE TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS LIKE THIS ONE. SCREENS ARE REQUIRED FOR HEALTH PURPOSES TO KEEP INSECTS AND RODENTS OUT. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TENANT TO MAINTAIN THE SCREENS OR INFORM MANAGEMENT IF ONE NEEDS TO BE REPLACED. EARLIER THIS MONTH HOUSING OFFICIALS COMPLETED A HUGE INSPECTION PROGRAM OF ALL APARTMENT COMPLEXES IN THE COUNTY... THAT REPORTEDLY BROUGHT EVERY BUILDING UP TO CODE.

9/30 - WJLA – 5PM (:15)

D-C'S "OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION" - AWARDING NEARLY A 70-THOUSAND DOLLARS GRANT TO FRIENDSHIP PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL. THE MONEY WILL HELP NEARLY 400 HOMELESS STUDENTS -- AND PAY FOR THINGS LIKE

TRANSPORTATION, BEFORE-AND-AFTER SCHOOL CARE AND MENTAL  
HEALTH SERVICES.

## HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE

7/17 - NC8 -3PM (:40)

A POTENTIALLY FATAL HEALTH SCARE AT A BEACH IN VIRGINIA. AMANDA EDWARD'S IS HOME NOW RECOVERING FROM A FLESH-EATING BACTERIA. SHE SAYS IT HAPPENED AFTER GOING FOR A QUICK SWIM AT A BEACH IN NORFOLK. SHE TELLS US DOCTORS TREATED THE INFECTION, AND SAYS THE BACTERIA POSSIBLY GOT INTO HER SKIN THROUGH A CUT. HEALTH EXPERTS SAY YOU SHOULD AVOID THE WATER IF YOU HAVE AN OPEN WOUND OR IF YOU'RE SICK. AND ONCE YOU GET OUT OF THE WATER YOU SHOULD SHOWER WITH SOAP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. EXPERTS SAY GERMS CAN GET INTO THE WATER IN DIFFERENT WAYS.

7/18 - NC8 - 7PM (:24)

THE C-D-C \*AND THE F-D-A WANT TO SEND A WARNING TO PET PARENTS. RIGHT NOW AN INVESTIGATION IS UNDERWAY AFTER AN OUTBREAK OF SALMONELLA INFECTIONS -- LINKED TO DOG TREATS. A TOTAL OF 93 PEOPLE -- INFECTED WITH THE OUTBREAK STRAIN OF SALMONELLA IN 27 STATES, INCLUDING MARYLAND. THE F-D-A SAYS SALMONELLA DISCOVERED IN THE PIG EAR TREATS-- CAN INFECT PEOPLE -- EITHER FROM HANDLING THE TREATS OR DIRECTLY FROM A DOG ONCE IT BECOMES SICK.

7/26 - NC8 8AM (:35)

SEVEN'S ON YOUR SIDE -- WITH A HEALTH ALERT. HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE WARNING ABOUT A BAD INTESTINAL BUG GOING AROUND THE D-M-V. DOZENS OF CASES HAVE POPPED UP IN MARYLAND, VIRGINIA AND D-C. BUT IN VIRGINIA-- HEALTH OFFICIALS THINK THEY ARE CLOSING IN ON A SOURCE. MEDICAL INVESTIGATORS ARE LOOKING AT THE WORKPLACE CAFETERIAS AT THE CAPITOL ONE BUILDING AND THE VALO PARK BUILDING IN TYSONS. CYCLOSPORIASIS USUALLY COMES FROM IMPORTED FRESH PRODUCE. RIGHT NOW THERE ARE 37 CONFIRMED CASES IN MARYLAND, 27 IN VIRGINIA AND 8 IN D-C. TO LOWER YOUR RISK OF GETTING SICK--- MAKE SURE YOU WASH ANY PRODUCE YOU EAT.

8/2 - WJLA - 11PM (:30)

A MAJOR UPDATE TO A SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE I-TEAM INVESTIGATION. FOR MONTHS - ABC-7 HAS TRACKED \*HIGH LEAD\* LEVELS... IN THE RUBBER MULCH USED IN D-C PLAYGROUNDS. OUR REPORTS - PROMPTED A MEETING FOR PARENTS ON THE ISSUE - JUST THIS WEEK. TONIGHT WE'VE LEARNED, THREE PLAYGROUNDS ARE \*CLOSED\* UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE... AFTER NEW LAB TESTS FOUND HIGH LEAD LEVELS. MORE TESTS - AND CLEANUP - HAVE BEEN ORDERED FOR AITON AND THOMSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - AS WELL AS CARDOZO HIGH SCHOOL. SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE WILL KEEP PUSHING FOR ANSWERS ABOUT THIS DANGEROUS HEALTH CONCERN.

8/26 - WJLA - 11PM (:40)

A SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE HEALTH ALERT TONIGHT VIRGINIA HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE NOW REPORTING THREE CASES OF SEVERE LUNG ILLNESS ... LINKED TO VAPING. TWO OF THOSE CASES WERE IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA ... ANOTHER WAS IN THE SOUTHWEST. VAPING IS A GROWING CONCERN IN ARLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS. A SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR WITH THE DISTRICT SAYS VAPE PEN USAGE AMONG HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS IS SKYROCKETING. WE'RE TOLD KIDS ARE SOMETIMES GETTING THE VAPE PENS ON THE BLACK MARKET. ACCORDING TO THE C-D-C VAPE USE AMONG TEENS HAS JUMPED FROM ONE PERCENT TO 21 PERCENT IN THE LAST SEVEN YEARS.

8/29 - WJLA - 6AM (:45)

DEVELOPING NOW.. INVESTIGATORS ARE LOOKING INTO 11 SUSPICIOUS DEATHS AT A V-A MEDICAL CENTER IN CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA. SENATOR JOE MANCHIN SAYS ONE OF THOSE DEATHS IS CONFIRMED A HOMICIDE. FELIX MCDERMOTT WAS ALLEGEDLY GIVEN A FATAL DOSE OF INSULIN AT THE LOUIS A. JOHNSON V.A. MEDICAL CENTER. HE DID NOT HAVE DIABETES. THE OTHER VICTIMS ALSO DIED AFTER THEY WERE ALLEGEDLY GIVEN INJECTIONS OF INSULIN THAT WERE NOT ORDERED BY A DOCTOR. MANCHIN SAYS A PERSON OF INTEREST HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED. THE



PERSON IS NO LONGER IN CONTACT WITH PATIENTS AT THE HOSPITAL. MANCHIN IS URGING V.A. OFFICIALS TO "QUICKLY CONCLUDE" THEIR INVESTIGATION.

9/17 - NC8 – 7AM (:45)

THIS COMES AFTER THE DISCOVERY OF SOME VAPE PENS LACED WITH ILLEGAL SYNTHETIC POT. AN ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTER IN MARYLAND BOUGHT THREE VAPE PODS IN TOWSON. THOSE PODS WERE SUPPOSED TO CONTAIN THE CANNABIS EXTRACT C-B-D. LAB TESTS FOUND ONE OF THEM HAD SYNTHETIC MARIJUANA. THOSE PODS WERE PULLED FROM THE STORE... BUT NOT BEFORE IT SENT DOZENS OF PEOPLE TO EMERGENCY ROOMS-- INCLUDING ONE YOUNG MAN WHO NEARLY LOST HIS LIFE. C-B-D SALES TOOK OFF SINCE HEMP PRODUCTION WAS DECRIMINALIZED LAST DECEMBER. BUT THOSE SALES ARE MOSTLY UNREGULATED. RIGHT NOW THE F-D-A HAS ONLY APPROVED \*ONE C-B-D BASED MEDICINE FOR TREATING SEIZURES FOR EPILEPSY.

9/25 - NC8 – 8AM (:30)

TO ADDICTION IN AMERICA AND HOW STATES ARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF COMBATING THE OPIOID CRISIS. VIRGINIA'S SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SAYS A NEW 2-AND-A-HALF MILLION DOLLAR FEDERAL GRANT WILL HELP LOCAL AGENCIES WORK WITH UNIVERSITIES TO SHARE "BEST PRACTICES" WHEN IT COMES TO BATTLING ADDICTION. THAT SUPPORT INCLUDES ANALYZING TREATMENT PROGRAMS TO FIND OUT WHAT WORKS AND WHAT DOESN'T. OPIOIDS ARE THE LEADING CAUSE OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH IN VIRGINIA -- AS THEY ARE IN MOST STATES.

9/27 - NC8 – 9PM (:31)

THE SALMONELLA OUTBREAK - LINKED TO A LOCAL RESTAURANT CHAIN IS EXPANDING. HEALTH OFFICIALS BELIEVE THE HUMMUS SOLD AT "MOBY DICK HOUSE OF KABOB" IS THE SOURCE. NOW WE KNOW VIRGINIA IS INVESTIGATING AT LEAST 8 CASES OF SALMONELLA. MARYLAND'S DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SAYS.. THERE ARE 16 CASES THERE. SO FAR IN D-C - THERE ARE \*NO

CONFIRMED CASES. EVERYONE THAT GOT SICK- ATE AT MOBY DICK'S... AND ALL BUT ONE - HAD HUMMUS WHILE THEY WERE THERE. THE RESTAURANT HAS STOPPED SELLING HUMMUS AT ALL ITS LOCATIONS ACROSS THE D-M-V. SO IF YOU HAVE SOME AT HOME - THROW IT AWAY.

RACIAL, ETHIC, RELIGIOUS & SEX

7/9 - WJLA – 6PM (:25)

THE ARCHITECT BEHIND THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE HAS DIED. PHIL FREELON DIED TUESDAY IN NORTH CAROLINA AFTER BATTLING A-L-S FOR MANY YEARS. FREELON WAS THE MAIN ARCHITECT FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MUSEUM THAT OPENED ON THE NATIONAL MALL IN 2017. HE FOCUSED ON DESIGNING MUSEUMS, LIBRARIES AND SCHOOLS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JAZZ SINGER NNENNA FREELON AND THREE CHILDREN. PHIL FREELON WAS 66 YEARS OLD.

7/26 -WJLA - 4AM (: 25)

WOODSTOCK 50 IS SAVED... FOR NOW... BUT MOVING TO MARYLAND'S "MERRIWEATHER POST PAVILION" IN COLUMBIA. WHILE THE STAR-STUDDED LINEUP INITIALLY ANNOUNCED ISN'T CONTRACTUALLY OBLIGATED-- ORGANIZERS ARE CONFIDENT THE FESTIVAL... WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 16 TO 18... WILL TAKE PLACE. ASIDE FROM FUNDING ISSUES, THE FINAL NAIL FOR WOODSTOCK WAS A PERMIT DENIAL IN BETHEL NEW YORK-- THE SITE OF THE ORIGINAL 1969 MUSIC FESTIVAL.

7/30 WJLA - 5PM (:20)

AS FOR THAT BOYCOTT - WE'RE NOW LEARNING WHAT MEMBERS OF VIRGINIA'S BLACK CAUCUS DID - DURING THE CEREMONY. THEY LAID A WREATH AT THE STATE CAPITOL - UNDERNEATH THE PLAQUES - THAT COMMEMORATE AFRICAN-AMERICAN LAWMAKERS - WHO SERVED IN RICHMOND... DURING THE RE-CONSTRUCTION ERA.

A CEREMONY IS ALSO PLANNED FOR A SITE IN RICHMOND - WHERE ENSLAVED PEOPLE WERE IMPRISONED AND SOLD.

8/6 - NC8 9AM(:35)

MORRISON BEGAN HER WRITING CAREER AS A STUDENT AND THEN A TEACHER AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY HERE IN THE DISTRICT. TODAY A CURRENT PROFESSOR TOLD US THAT SUCH A LOSS IS BITTER SWEET FOR THE HOWARD FAMILY. WHILE TEACHING AT HOWARD IN THE 1960'S-- MORRISON WORKED ON A STORY IN A WRITING GROUP THAT WOULD GO ON TO BECOME "THE BLUEST EYE." THE NOVEL WON MORRISON THE NOBEL PRIZE FOR LITERATURE... MAKING HER THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMAN TO RECEIVE THE HONOR.

8/23 - NC8 8AM (:27)

THIS WEEKEND MARKS FOUR HUNDRED YEARS SINCE THE FIRST AFRICAN SLAVES ARRIVED ON U-S SOIL. A PIRATE SHIP CALLED "THE WHITE LION" BROUGHT THEM TO FORT MONROE IN HAMPTON, VIRGINIA. STARTING TODAY -- FORT MONROE WILL HOLD A WEEKEND OF COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS. GOVERNOR RALPH NORTHAM AND SEVERAL U-S SENATORS ARE TO EXPECTED TO TAKE PART. OUR COLLEAGUE SAM FORD WILL BE IN HAMPTON ALL WEEKEND -- BRINGING YOU THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS IMPORTANT OBSERVANCE OF 4-HUNDRED YEARS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY.

8/25 - NC8 9AM (:26)

WHEN YOU THINK OF HACKING -- IT'S NOT USUALLY PUT IN A POSITIVE LIGHT. BUT TODAY IN D-C.. GROUPS OF HACKERS GOT TOGETHER TO USE THEIR SKILLS FOR GOOD. IT WAS PART OF THIS YEAR'S "ASCEND NATIONAL CONVENTION".. WHICH HELPS ASIAN-AMERICANS ACROSS THE AREA -- LEARN NEW SKILLS, SO THEY CAN EXCEL AT IN THE WORKPLACE. TEAMS HAD TO COME UP WITH SOLUTIONS ON HOW TO FURTHER CAREERS.. AND BRING CREATIVE IDEAS TO THE PROFESSIONAL WORLD. THE GRAND PRIZE: 10-THOUSANDS DOLLARS.

9/8 - WJLA - 6PM (:20)

THE LONGEST RUNNING NEIGHBORHOOD FESTIVAL IN THE DISTRICT -- JUST WRAPPED UP A SHORT TIME AGO. HUNDREDS COMING OUT FOR THE 41ST ANNUAL ADAMS MORGAN DAY. THERE WAS PLENTY OF MUSIC.. FOOD AND ACTIVITIES -- FOR EVERYONE... AND CERTAINLY A GREAT DAY TO BE OUTDOORS!

9/11 - WJLA 7AM (:30)

THE VIRGINIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY SAYS THEY ARE SETTING ASIDE ONE POINT SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS--- TO PAY REPARATIONS TO DESCENDANTS OF SLAVES WHO HELPED BUILD VIRGINIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY. THIS PUTS ONE OF THE OLDEST EPISCOPALIAN SCHOOLS AT THE FOREFRONT OF A MOVEMENT TO MAKE AMENDS. THE MONEY WILL BE USED TO ELEVATE THE WORK OF VOICES OF AFRICAN AMERICAN ALUMNI AND CLERGY WITHIN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH. THE EPISCOPAL SEMINARY IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND TO SET UP A REPARATIONS FUND.

9/25 - WJLA - 4AM (:25)

AND IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY... ONE COUNCIL MEMBER HAS INTRODUCED A BILL TO MAKE IT ILLEGAL TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST A WORKER-- BASED ON HOW THEY WEAR THEIR HAIR. BEING TOLD THAT NATURAL CURLS, BRAIDS OR DREADLOCKS AREN'T ALLOWED,... HAS SPARKED RACIAL DIVISIONS. THE SUPREME COURT HAS PREVIOUSLY DECLINED TO TAKE UP CASES ALLEGING RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

## EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMY

7/17 - WJLA – 5AM (:40)

FIRST ON SEVEN, OPPOSITION GROWING.. TO A POSSIBLE AMAZON DISTRIBUTION CENTER IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY. THERE'S A MEETING \*TODAY\* FOR PEOPLE IN AN UPPER MARLBORO NEIGHBORHOOD. TO SHARE THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT THE FOUR-MILLION SQUARE-FOOT FACILITY. THE PROJECT WOULD BRING 15-HUNDRED JOBS. BUT MANY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE IMPACT ON THEIR LIVES AND HOME VALUES. ABOUT 300 RESIDENTS ARE EXPECTED AT TONIGHT'S MEETING. THE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD PLANS TO MEET AND POSSIBLY VOTE ON THE PROJECT TOMORROW.

7/18 - WJLA – 5AM (:50)

IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY REACTION TO NEWS THAT THE NATIONAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA IS SHUTTING DOWN. MORE THAN 130 UNION MUSICIANS AND STAFF MEMBERS ARE LOSING THEIR JOBS AFTER THE ORCHESTRA EXPERIENCED BIG FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. IT SAYS IT WAS FORCED TO CLOSE, AFTER THE COUNCIL DENIED A REQUEST FOR 150-THOUSAND DOLLARS IN FUNDING. BUT THE COUNCIL NOTES, IT'S GIVEN THE ORCHESTRA TWO-AND-A-HALF MILLION DOLLARS OVER THE LAST 15 YEARS. AND IT SAYS THE ORCHESTRA'S BUSINESS MODEL IS UNSUSTAINABLE. THE D.C. METRO AREA HAS AT LEAST THREE PROFESSIONAL ORCHESTRAS, WHILE MOST METRO AREAS HAVE ONE.. OR ZERO. CRITICS SAY WE MAY SIMPLY BE OVER-SATURATED.

7/31 WJLA – 5PM (:40)

D-C POLICE ISN'T THE ONLY DEPARTMENT IN OUR AREA - LOOKING TO HIRE MORE OFFICERS. TODAY - SEVERAL AGENCIES WERE SEARCHING... FOR NEW RECRUITS AT THE "NORTHERN VIRGINIA LAW ENFORCEMENT HIRING EXPO". THE F-B-I, CAPITAL POLICE, AND PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY POLICE - WERE ALL THERE - TRYING TO BRING ON NEW MEMBERS. WE'RE ALSO TALKING TO LOCAL POLICE CHIEFS - ABOUT THE OFFICER SHORTAGES - HAPPENING

ACROSS THE COUNTRY. TUNE IN FOR THAT STORY - TOMORROW ON ABC 7 NEWS.

8/5 - NC8 - 8PM (:50)

IN TONIGHT'S SPOTLIGHT ON EDUCATION -- SOME BALTIMORE SCHOOLCHILDREN ARE GETTING A CHANCE TO EXPLORE CAREERS IN AVIATION AND RELATED INDUSTRIES. 50 ELEMENTARY- AND MIDDLE-SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE TAKING PART IN THE BWI MARSHALL SUMMER YOUTH INITIATIVE. THEY'LL SPEND THIS WEEK LEARNING ABOUT JOBS AT THE AIRPORT. TODAY, THEY OBSERVED A FIREFIGHTING DRILL AND WATCHED THE T-S-A SCREEN PASSENGERS. THOSE STUDENTS WILL ALSO LEARN ABOUT OTHER FIELDS -- SUCH AS FLIGHT OPERATIONS, ENGINEERING AND FOOD SERVICES. THIS IS THE FIFTH YEAR FOR THE PROGRAM. IF YOU KNOW OF A PROGRAM, TEACHER OR STUDENT WE SHOULD PUT A SPOTLIGHT ON, JUST GO TO W-J-L-A DOT COM SLASH ON YOUR SIDE AND GIVE US THE DETAILS.

9/10 - WJLA - 5PM (:20)

MANY PEOPLE HAVE TO TAKE A DRUG TEST BEFORE GETTING A NEW JOB. BUT A BALTIMORE CITY COUNCILWOMAN IS TRYING TO CHANGE THAT FOR SOME FUTURE CITY EMPLOYEES -- BY ELIMINATED THE TEST FOR MARIJUANA. SINCE SIMPLE POSSESSION IS NO LONGER AN "ARRESTABLE" OFFENSE-- COUNCILWOMAN SHANNON SNEED SAYS JOB-SEEKERS SHOULD NOT BE PENALIZED IF THEY TEST POSITIVE FOR POT. SNEED SAYS APPLICANTS FOR JOBS IN THE POLICE, FIRE, OR HEALTH DEPARTMENTS-- OR ANYONE WHO IS REQUIRED TO DRIVE CITY VEHICLES-- WOULD STILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE DRUG TESTS AND WOULD BE DENIED EMPLOYMENT IF THEY FAIL.

9/16 - WJLA - 6AM (:30)

LOOKING AHEAD NOW -- AMAZON IS LOOKING TO FILL 30-THOUSAND JOB OPENINGS -- AND IS HOLDING A HUGE JOB FAIR IN ARLINGTON TOMORROW. HUNDREDS OF THOSE JOBS ARE RIGHT HERE IN OUR AREA. WORK RANGES FROM 15-DOLLAR AN HOUR

JOBS-- ALL THE WAY TO SIX-FIGURE TECH JOBS. AND, THIS IS JUST THE START.. AMAZON PROMISES TO HIRE 25-THOUSAND EMPLOYEES FOR H-Q-2 OVER THE NEXT 12-YEARS. AMAZON'S CAREER DAY IS TOMORROW FROM 11-30 A-M TO SEVEN P-M. WE'LL BE THERE LIVE -- AND WE PUT A LINK WITH EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW -- ON THE ABC-7 MOBILE APP AND ON WJLA.COM.

9/20 - WJLA -- 6AM (:50)

THERE'S AN OUTPOURING OF SUPPORT FOR DISTRIBUTORS OF "THE EXPRESS" NEWSPAPER, WHO LOST THEIR JOBS. THEY WERE LAID OFF AFTER "THE WASHINGTON POST'S" COMMUTER PAPER SHUT DOWN LAST WEEK. ONE OF THOSE WORKERS, A MAN NAMED HASSAN, HANDED OUT THE PAPER OUTSIDE THE DUPONT CIRCLE METRO STATION. LAST THURSDAY, HE LEARNED HE WAS OUT OF A JOB BY READING THE COVER OF THE VERY PAPER HE WAS DISTRIBUTING. ERIN DEE- AMATO (DEE'-UH-MA'-TOE) HAD BECOME FRIENDS WITH HASSAN. SHE AND HER SISTER POSTED A SIGN OUTSIDE THE METRO STATION, POINTING PEOPLE TO A GO-FUND-ME PAGE FOR HIM. IT'S RAISED MORE THAN 11-THOUSAND DOLLARS SO FAR. THE WOMEN HAVE NOW PUT UP SIMILAR SIGNS AT OTHER STATIONS ABOUT A SECOND GO-FUND-ME PAGE. IT'S RAISED MORE THAN EIGHT-THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE 74 OTHER DISTRIBUTORS WHO'VE BEEN LAID OFF.

## EDUCATION

7/1 - NC8 -- 7AM (:27)

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND AT COLLEGE PARK AT RISK OF LOSING ITS ACCREDITATION THIS MORNING. THE MIDDLE STATES COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SAYS THERE'S A LACK OF PROOF THAT THE SCHOOL HAS BEEN COMPLYING WITH STANDARDS SINCE JORDAN MCNAIR DIED LAST YEAR. THE FOOTBALL PLAYER COLLAPSED AFTER PRACTICING IN THE HEAT -- HE DIED NEARLY TWO WEEKS LATER. THE SCHOOL HAS UNTIL MARCH FIRST TO SHOW IT HAS A STRUCTURE THAT "OUTLINES ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR DECISION- MAKING."

7/6 - NC8 12PM (:50)

IN TODAY'S SPOTLIGHT ON EDUCATION.... A LOUDOUN COUNTY TEEN WORE A VERY UNIQUE AND SPECIAL DRESS TO HER PROM. SHE ACTUALLY MADE IT HERSELF -- AND OUT OF SOMETHING VERY DIFFERENT THAN YOU'D EXPECT! CHRISTINA MELLOTT (MUH-LOT') CREATED HER PROM DRESS OUT OF DUCT TAPE! THE FREEDOM HIGH SCHOOL RISING SENIOR SAYS THE LAVENDER, THREE-PIECE GARMENT TOOK 80 HOURS TO MAKE AND REQUIRED 36 ROLLS OF TAPE. MELLOTT (MUH-LOT') CREATED THE DRESS AS PART OF A SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST AND PLACED IN THE TOP FIVE. WHEN SHE'S NOT MAKING DRESSES OUT OF DUCT TAPE, SHE SEWS OTHER INTERESTING APPAREL. CHECK OUT THESE PINK PANTS WITH FRINGES AND A SEQUINED DRESS THAT ACTUALLY LIGHTS UP! IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE IN EDUCATION... OR A PROGRAM -- THAT KELLYE SHOULD SHINE THE SPOTLIGHT ON - WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU. GO TO WJLA DOT COM, SLASH ON YOUR SIDE -- TO SEND IN YOUR SUGGESTIONS.

7/31 - NC8 -- 10AM (:30)

IT'S BEING CALLED THE NEXT COLLEGE ADMISSIONS SCANDAL. WEALTHY PARENTS ARE REPORTEDLY GIVING UP LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP OF THEIR KIDS -- SO THEY CAN FIND FINANCIAL AID. AND NOW THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IS INVESTIGATING.



HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: ONCE THOSE PARENTS GIVE UP GUARDIANSHIP OF THEIR KIDS IN HIGH SCHOOL... THOSE KIDS APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID -- AND CAN DECLARE THEMSELVES FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT. THEIR PARENTS MONEY ISN'T COUNTED AS PART OF THEIR HOUSEHOLD INCOME. WHILE THIS MIGHT BE ETHICALLY QUESTIONABLE -- THERE IS NOTHING ILLEGAL ABOUT IT.

8/5 - WJLA -- 11PM (:15)

ALSO, TODAY IN THE DISTRICT - A SAFETY CHECK AT SCHOOLS IN WARD THREE. COUNCILMEMBER MARY CHEH HAS DONE THESE INSPECTIONS FOR YEARS - BUT SAYS AFTER THIS WEEKEND'S VIOLENCE... IT WAS IMPORTANT TO ENSURE \*SECURITY MEASURES\* WORK AS DESIGNED. AT ONE SCHOOL - INTERCOMS DIDN'T WORK. THOSE ARE BEING FIXED.

8/26 - WJLA -4AM (:20)

TODAY - ANOTHER BATCH OF KIDS AND TEACHERS HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL... AND IN THE DISTRICT -- SOME STUDENTS ARE RETURNING TO \*NEWLY REMODELLED SCHOOLS. MAYOR BOWSER OFFICIALLY OPENED THE NEWLY MODERNIZED CALVIN COOLIDGE HIGH SCHOOL -- AND -- AT THE NEW "IDA B. WELLS" MIDDLE SCHOOL IN NORTHWEST, STUDENTS THERE - WILL NOW HAVE "STATE OF THE ART" TECHNOLOGY AND CLASSROOMS.

8/26 - WJLA -- 11PM (:40)

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VAPE USE AMONG TEENS HAS JUMPED FROM ONE PERCENT TO 21 PERCENT IN THE LAST SEVEN YEARS.

9/5 - NC8 7AM (:30)

NEW THIS MORNING THREE EMPLOYEES AT A MARYLAND SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOL ARE FACING CHILD SEX ABUSE CHARGES. POLICE SAY ALL THREE ARE ACCUSED OF ABUSING TWO TEENAGE FEMALE STUDENTS AT THE "JEFFERSON SCHOOL AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER" IN FREDERICK. IN A STATEMENT, THE SCHOOL SAID "WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF REVIEWING ALL PROCEDURES AND SAFEGUARDS AT THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL. AND COMMITTED TO PROVIDING THE HIGHEST STANDARD OF EDUCATION AND CARE." THE SCHOOL HAS ALREADY FIRED ALL THREE STAFFERS.

9/27 - NC8 7AM (:50)

IN STAFFORD COUNTY... WE'RE NOW HEARING FROM SCHOOL OFFICIALS ABOUT A SEVERE SCHOOL BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE. RIGHT NOW-- THE COUNTY NEEDS \*TWENTY\* FULL-TIME... AND TEN SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS. THE SHORTAGE MEANS STUDENTS ARE HAVING TROUBLE GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME-- BECAUSE DRIVERS ARE DOUBLING UP ON ROUTES. THE SAME GOES FOR HEADING \*BACK HOME\*-- BUSES ARE DROPPING KIDS OFF 45 MINUTES LATER THAN USUAL. PARENTS ARE URGING SCHOOL LEADERS TO COME UP WITH A BETTER SOLUTION. STAFFORD COUNTY WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN DRIVING. SCHOOL LEADERS SAY IT TAKES A SPECIAL PERSON FOR THIS JOB... SOMEONE WHO IS CAREFUL, PATIENT AND ENJOYS WORKING WITH CHILDREN.

9/28 - NC8 10AM (:30)

A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR OFFER TO SETTLE A LONG-STANDING LAWSUT. AN ATTORNEY SAYS GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN HAS MADE A FINAL OFFER OF 200 MILLION DOLLARS...IN A LAWSUIT INVOLVING MARYLAND'S FOUR HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES. BOWIE STATE ... COPPIN STATE ... MORGAN STATE ... AND THE UNIVERSITY

OF MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE SUED FOR NEARLY 600 MILLION DOLLARS SAYING, THE STATE UNDERFUNDED THEM ... WHILE DEVELOPING PROGRAMS AT TRADITIONALLY WHITE SCHOOLS. A JUDGE RULED IN FAVOR OF THE HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES IN 2013.

## FAMILY ISSUES

7/5 - WJLA – 6PM (2:00)

SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE - FIRST TO ALERT D-C PARENTS THAT AN INDEPENDENT LAB FLAGGED THREE PLAYGROUNDS FOR TOXIC LEAD. TODAY - D-C GOVERNMENT TAKING ACTION. SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE'S NATHAN BACA IS LIVE AT TAKOMA EDUCATION CAMPUS. DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES VACUUMED UP LOOSE CRUMB RUBBER FROM THE TOP LAYER OF THIS PLAYGROUND.TWO DIFFERENT TEST RESULTS FROM TWO DIFFERENT LABS.ONE LAB SAYS IT SPOTTED TOXIC LEAD. ANOTHER LAB SAYS IT DID NOT. AND DISTRICT OFFICIALS SAY TODAY TO TRUST THEM THAT IT'S SAFE TO PLAY ON. D-C'S DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES ADMITTED IT DOES NOT KNOW WHY ONE OF THE THREE - TRUESDELL EDUCATION CAMPUS PLAYGROUND ALSO CAME BACK AS HAVING ELEVATED LEAD LEVELS. THEIR CHOSEN LAB BELIEVES IT'S FROM WHAT IT CALLS "POSSIBLE EXTERNAL FACTORS." D-G-S SAYS IT WILL BEGIN TO INVESTIGATE. IT ALSO PLEDGES TO TEST ALL RUBBER PLAYGROUNDS IN THE DISTRICT BY JANUARY.THERE ARE SIMPLY NO RULES WHEN IT COMES TO A SAFE LEVEL OF LEAD IN PLAYGROUNDS. SCIENTISTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS BELIEVE THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SMALLER PLAYGROUND PIECES LIKE THIS - AND LARGER ONES LIKE THIS.WE EXPLAIN WHY THIS COULD MAKE THE DIFFERENCE WITH YOUR KID'S SAFETY ON ABC7 NEWS AT 6.

7/25 - WJLA – 4AM (:25)

WE'RE LEARNING NEW DETAILS IN A DEADLY CONSTRUCTION ACCIDENT IN FAIRFAX COUNTY. ABC7 FOUND OUT THE 16-YEAR - OLD WHO DIED-- SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN DOING THE WORK. ACCORDING TO VIRGINIA STATE LAW-- CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18 ARE NOT ALLOWED TO WORK CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION JOBS-- INCLUDING JOBS INVOLVING EXCAVATION. THAT TEEN DIED WHEN A TRENCH COLLAPSED. A MAN WAS ALSO INJURED. THE BOY WAS ABOUT TO START SCHOOL AT BISHOP O'CONNELL HIGH SCHOOL.

8/2 - NC8 -- 10PM (:30)

A 7 ON YOUR SIDE CONSUMER ALERT -- ABOUT BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING. IT'S A 'TAX FREE WEEKEND' IN VIRGINIA. THERE'S NO TAX ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES THAT COST 20-DOLLARS OR LESS... PER ITEM. THAT INCLUDES BINDERS, BOOKBAGS, AND CALCULATORS. YOU CAN ALSO PURCHASE CLOTHING AND SHOES... UP TO 100-DOLLARS A PIECE -- SALES-TAX FREE! \*BUT - CERTAIN ITEMS LIKE JEWELRY, COSMETICS AND SPORTING GOODS- ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE TAX-FREE SHOPPING. YOU'LL FIND A COMPLETE LIST OF TAX EXEMPT ITEMS ON OUR WEBSITE - WJLA DOT COM AND THE FREE ABC-7 NEWS APP. NEXT WEEKEND - MARYLAND SHOPPERS CAN SHOP TAX-FREE.

8/12 - NC8 -- 8AM (:25)

HAPPENING RIGHT NOW... AS PARTS OF VIRGINIA HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL-- MARYLAND IS JUST GETTING STARTED-- HELPING FAMILIES SAVE ON SUPPLIES. MARYLAND'S TAX FREE WEEK IS HAPPENING NOW THROUGH AUGUST 17TH. RIGHT NOW-- CLOTHING ITEMS AND SHOES UNDER 100 DOLLARS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE STATE'S SIX PERCENT SALES TAX. AND-- THERE'S NO LIMIT TO HOW MANY ITEMS YOU CAN BUY TAX-FREE. ANOTHER STUDENT STAPLE-- BACKPACKS-- ARE ALSO TAX FREE-- AS LONG AS THEY'RE UNDER 40 DOLLARS.

8/26 - NC8 - 7AM (:15)

ITS BACK TO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS IN THE DISTRICT -- PRINCE WILLIAM AND FAIRFAX COUNTIES. IN THE DISTRICT--- PARENTS HAVE 20 DAYS TO GET THEIR KIDS VACCINATED FOR MEASLES... OR THEY COULD BE SENT HOME. IT IS DC LAW THAT SCHOOL CHILDREN MUST BE VACCINATED OR HAVE A LEGAL WAIVER ON FILE WITH THE DISTRICT.

9/13 - WJLA - 10AM (:20)

A POTENTIAL BREAKTHROUGH TO TREAT CHILDREN -- WHO SUFFER FROM PEANUT ALLERGIES. THE F-D-A IS TESTING A NEW DRUG TO HELP YOUNG PATIENTS. THIS IS HOW IT WORKS: KIDS ARE

EXPOSED TO PHARMACEUTICAL GRADE PEANUT PROTEIN -- WHICH MAY EVENTUALLY \*DESENSITIZE THEM. WHILE THE DRUG DOESN'T FULLY ELIMINATE PEANUT ALLERGIES -- IT COULD PREVENT A REACTION FROM ACCIDENTAL EXPOSURE.

9/17 - WJLA - 7AM (:45)

SEVEN IS ON YOUR SIDE WITH A CONSUMER ALERT... SOME VAPE PENS ARE BEING LACED WITH ILLEGAL SYNTHETIC POT. AN A-P REPORTER BOUGHT THREE VAPE PODS IN TOWSON. THOSE PODS WERE SUPPOSED TO CONTAIN THE CANNABIS EXTRACT C-B-D. LAB TESTS FOUND ONE OF THEM HAD SYNTHETIC MARIJUANA. THOSE PODS WERE PULLED FROM THE STORE... BUT NOT BEFORE IT SENT DOZENS OF PEOPLE TO EMERGENCY ROOMS-- INCLUDING ONE YOUNG MAN WHO NEARLY LOST HIS LIFE C-B-D SALES TOOK OFF SINCE HEMP PRODUCTION WAS DECRIMINALIZED LAST DECEMBER. BUT THOSE SALES ARE MOSTLY UNREGULATED. RIGHT NOW THE F-D-A HAS ONLY APPROVED \*ONE C-B-D BASED MEDICINE FOR TREATING SEIZURES FOR EPILEPSY.

9/30 - WJLA - 6PM (:40)

A SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE CONSUMER ALERT... STARTING TOMORROW, YOU HAVE TO BE TWENTY-ONE TO BUY CIGARETTES, CIGARS AND VAPING PRODUCTS IN MARYLAND. THE LAW APPLIES TO ALL RESIDENTS EXCEPT ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY MEMBERS. RETAILERS THAT BREAK THE LAW CAN FACE FINES FROM THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, UP TO THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS.

## ELDERLY & AGING

7/8 WJLA - 6AM (:20)

INVESTIGATORS SAY A DEADLY APARTMENT FIRE IN ALEXANDRIA WAS STARTED BY A CIGARETTE -- LEFT BURNING. THIS HAPPENED YESTERDAY MORNING. ONE WOMAN DIED IN THAT FIRE -- FIREFIGHTERS SAY SHE WAS A SENIOR. OFFICIALS SAY THIS FIRE SHOULD SERVE AS A WARNING. IF YOU SMOKE... MAKE SURE YOU DO IT OUTSIDE... OR AT LEAST MAKE SURE CIGARETTES ARE COMPLETELY EXTINGUISHED.

7/16 WJLA - 11PM (:40)

AN OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICER RACED INTO A BURNING COLESVILLE HOME ... TO SAVE THE ELDERLY COUPLE TRAPPED INSIDE. SERGEANT SCOTT BROOKS WAS HEADING TO WORK WHEN HE SPOTTED THE FLAMES AROUND FIVE-30 THIS MORNING. HE RADIOED DISPATCH -- THEN RAN INSIDE. THAT'S WHEN BROOKS RAN BACK INSIDE TO SAVE THE WOMAN'S HUSBAND. THE COUPLE IS OKAY TONIGHT. THERE'S NO WORD YET ON HOW THE FIRE STARTED -- BUT INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE IT BEGAN IN AN ENCLOSED PORCH.

7/18 - WJLA- 6AM (:30)

SEVEN'S ON YOUR SIDE WITH A CONSUMER ALERT -- GROWING PRIVACY CONCERNS OVER THE POPULAR AGING TOOL---FACE APP. IT'S GONE VIRAL IN THE LAST FEW DAYS -- ALTERING FACIAL APPEARANCES TO LOOK SIGNIFICANTLY OLDER. AT LEAST AN ESTIMATED 150 MILLION PEOPLE HAVE USED IT SO FAR. BUT NOW SENATE MINORITY LEADER CHUCK SCHUMER IS ASKING THE F-B-I TO INVESTIGATE IT -- TO FIND OUT IF THERE ARE SAFEGUARDS IN PLACE TO PROTECT PEOPLE. THE FACE APP WAS DEVELOPED BY A SMALL TEAM FROM RUSSIA. CRITICS CAUTION THE APP MAY COLLECT MORE THAN JUST THE PICTURES YOU UPLOAD.

8/14 -NC8 - 8AM (:60)

A WEALTHY REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER REMAINS IN THE HOSPITAL THIS MORNING AFTER HE WAS BRUTALLY ATTACKED IN HIS

ROCKVILLE HOME. THE VICTIM'S SON MANDEEP (MAN-deep) NARULA (nuh-RULE-uh) SAYS HIS 79 YEAR OLD FATHER WAS MEETING CONTRACTORS TO PREPARE THE HOUSE FOR RENT. BUT, WHEN NARULA WENT TO CHECK ON HIS DAD...HE FOUND HIM LYING IN A POOL OF BLOOD. FAMILY MEMBERS SAY HIS ATTACKER STOLE EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS...HIS CAR AND HIS CELL PHONE. FAMILY MEMBERS SAY POLICE WERE ABLE TO FIND THE STOLEN CAR AND PHONE. MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE ARE LOOKING INTO THIS INCIDENT--- SO FAR NO ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE.

8/22 - NC8 - 7AM (:20)

AN UPDATE ON A STORY ABC7 HAS BEEN FOLLOWING SINCE LAST SEPTEMBER. THE ELDERLY MAN FOUND TRAPPED IN HIS DC SENIOR LIVING APARTMENT FIVE DAYS AFTER A FIRE GUTTED THE COMPLEX - IS NOW SUING THE PROPERTY'S MANAGEMENT COMPANY. RAYMOND HOLTON CLAIMS EDGEWOOD MANAGEMENT FALSELY TOLD FIREFIGHTERS ALL RESIDENTS HAD BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR AT THE ARTHUR CAPPER SENIOR HOMES. THE 3 MILLION DOLLAR SUIT ALSO ACCUSES THE COMPANY OF INTENTIONALLY DISABLING THE ALARM SYSTEM BEFORE THE FIRE AND FAILING TO SECURE THE BUILDING FROM VAGRANTS WHO MAY HAVE STARTED THE FIRE. EDGEWOOD HAS \*NOT\* COMMENTED. WE WILL HAVE MORE ON THIS STORY THROUGHOUT THE DAY RIGHT HERE ON ABC7.

9/19 - WJLA- 4PM (:35)

SEVEN'S ON YOUR SIDE - WITH A SCAM WARNING, OUT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY. POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR THREE PEOPLE - ACCUSED OF POSING AS LANDSCAPERS - AND ROBBING AN ELDERLY COUPLE. IT HAPPENED EARLIER THIS MONTH - ALONG "THIRD PLACE" IN LORTON. POLICE SAY -- TWO OF THE THIEVES TOLD THE COUPLE... THEY NEEDED TO CHECK TREES IN THE BACKYARD... WHILE THE THIRD PERSON WENT INTO THEIR HOME - AND ROBBED THEM. TO PREVENT THESE TYPE OF DISTRACTION BURGLARIES... POLICE SUGGEST... LOCKING ALL DOORS - EVEN IF YOU'RE OUTSIDE WORKING. KEEP TRACK OF ANY WORKERS ON YOUR PROPERTY. AND DO NOT ACCEPT WORK FROM SOLICITORS - WHO APPROACH YOU IN PERSON.



9/25 - WJLA- 8PM (: 30)

NEW DEVELOPMENTS... IN THE CASE OF THAT FLORIDA TEENAGER - WHO EARNED THE NICKNAME "DOCTOR LOVE." MALACHI LOVE-ROBINSON - HAS NOW BEEN RELEASED FROM A FLORIDA PRISON. HE SERVED A LITTLE LESS THAN TWO YEARS - FOR PRETENDING TO BE A DOCTOR. YOU MIGHT REMEMBER HE ALSO DID TIME IN VIRGINIA - ON FRAUD CHARGES. IN THAT 20-16 CASE, THE "THEN 17-YEAR-OLD" TRIED TO USE AN ELDERLY WOMAN AS A CO-SIGNER FOR A CAR LOAN IN STAFFORD - WITHOUT HER KNOWLEDGE. HE SPENT A YEAR IN JAIL FOR THAT.